

Adler, David A. (1989). A Picture Book of Abraham Lincoln. New York: The Trumpet Club.  
ISBN 0-440-84746-X

A great biography of the life of one of the presidents of the United States. From Abraham's birth to his death, the author lists his accomplishments and how he helped frame the foundation of what the United States stands for today. This book would be great to read for history class. Pictures on each page make it easy for students to follow along. At the end of the book there is a time line of Abraham's life that makes it easy for the students to recap what they just read.  
Grades 4 Lexile 620

Carpenter, Jack; Shaughressy, Diane (1997). Chief Joseph. New York: The Rosen Publishing Group.  
ISBN 0-8239-5111-1

Native Indians, in this book, are remembered for being peaceful. This book demonstrates that peace among people with different views is hard to have, but it is necessary to survive together. Some words are hard to read and for this the author has showed how to pronounce these words. One word is the indian tribe's French name Nez Perce (nez purs). This book would be beneficial for a history class learning about the beginning of the United States of America and about the people that lived here. There is a glossary and an index in the back of the book.  
Grades 7 Lexile 990

Kishel, Anna-Marie (2006). Thomas Jefferson. Minnesota: Lerner Publications Company.  
ISBN 978-0-8225-3480-8

Patriotism, democracy and leadership are the main themes in this book. Thomas Jefferson was the third president of the United States of America. Before Thomas Jefferson became president, America (as known today) was ruled by the British. This book shows the time line of events that lead to the separation of America with Great Britain. This would be a great book to read before Independence Day. In the back of the book it has a glossary, an index, and a list of websites for students to use for finding more information about the United States of America and Thomas Jefferson.  
Grades 3 Lexile 540

Mara, Wil (2005). Betsy Ross. Minnesota: Scholastic Inc.  
ISBN 0-516-25268-2

The American flag was made by Betsy Ross. This book tells the story of Betsy's life as a seamstress and one day a man came by her shop and asked her to make a flag. This man was George Washington and the flag was going to be used forevermore as a symbol of America's freedom from Great Britain. This book is a great motivational book to let students know to do their best in everything they do. This book would be great to read during Independence day.  
Grades 2 Lexile 410

Mara, Wil (2003). George W. Bush. Minnesota: Children's Press.  
ISBN 0-516-22852-8

This book starts out by asking the question, "Have you ever thought about being the president of the United States?" A question that George asked himself when he was a boy. It was something he dreamed about becoming and he persevered and became America's forty third president. The author

has included easy to read guides to help students pronounce words such as politician. The author included the pronunciation as (pol-uh-tish-uhn). During President's day would be a great time to read this book because it shows how a man wanted to become the president and how he achieved his dream. In the back of the book is a list of words, along with a picture of the word, so readers can recall the important words they just read.

Grades 3 Lexile 570

Mara, Wil (2003). Rosa Parks. Minnesota: Scholastic Inc.  
ISBN 0-516-25876-1

Rosa Parks changed the world in one day. By saying "no" Rosa Parks transformed the world for African Americans into a better place. Rosa lived in the south where blacks, known as colored people, were treated unfairly. On the public bus systems it was a law that colored people were to give up their seats if a white person wanted it. One day Rosa refused to give up her seat and she was arrested. Little did she know that what she started was a movement by the African American people that would help them to take steps into becoming a free people with the same rights as the white people. This book would be great to read during African American history month. In the back of the book is a list of important words along with a picture of each word.

Grades 3 Lexile 560

Nichols, Catherine (2009). Barack Obama. Minnesota: The Child's World.  
ISBN 978-1-60253-072-0

An American dream of becoming the president of the United States of America is for anyone who dreams of it. This book tells the childhood and adulthood of the first African American male president of the United States. The book lists facts that are mentioned and gives a brief description of these facts. It tells that Hawaii and Indonesia, two places that Barack lived as a child, are both islands and it lists facts about each. In the back of the book it has information about what a president's life is like. It has a list of where the presidents live and how much they are paid for retirement. This book would be great to read during president's day.

Grade 3 Lexile 550

Rau, Dana M. (2003). Dr. Seuss. Minnesota: Children's Press.  
ISBN 0-516-22593-6

At a time when books seemed boring stepped out a man calling himself Dr. Seuss. These books were funny and easy to read for children. Dr. Seuss's real name was Theodor Seuss Geisel and he made up the name Dr. Seuss to sound more important. Dr. Seuss's books dealt with topics such treating everyone the same and taking care of planet. This book would be great to read during a campaign to recycle at school. This book includes words that you know in the back to help students remember the important words.

Grade 3 Lexile 570

Schaefer, Lola M. (1999). Martin Luther King, Jr. Minnesota: Capstone Press.  
ISBN 0-7368-0111-1

This book describes and illustrates the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a civil rights leader in the 1950s and 1960s. It is a great book to read during African American history month. This book introduces early readers to vocabulary used in this subject area. The back of the book has an index, a

glossary, and a list of websites you can look at to find more information on Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Grade 3 Lexile 540

Sloate, Susan (1990). *Amelia Earhart*. New York: Jeffrey Weis Group, Inc.  
ISBN 0-449-90396-6

A biography of an ordinary woman that took a chance in flying across the world. This book has rich history significance to its reader. It tells the history of the Wright brothers that were first to fly. Amelia had the passion to fly and became the first female to get her flying license. This book would be great to read anytime. It challenges students to be responsible for their actions and to care about one another. In the back of the book it has a list of other books you might enjoy reading.  
Grade 10 Lexile 1090